

# Person-Centered Budget Algorithm (PCBA) Development

## Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting I

August 25, 2020

# Our Mission

**Improving health care access and outcomes for the people we serve while demonstrating sound stewardship of financial resources**

# Agenda

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Project Overview and Timeline

Model Development Workflow and Process

Discussion and Feedback

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# Introductions

## Health Care Policy & Financing (HCPF)

- Office of Community Living (OCL)
  - Bonnie Silva, Office Director
  - Amanda Lofgren, Case Management & Quality Performance Division Director
  - Michelle Topkoff, Entry Point & Case Management Manager
  - Tasia Sinn, Senior Policy Advisor
  - Lauren Swenson, Assessment & Support Plan Policy Coordinator
  - Ben Hoppin, Operations Coordinator
  - Lori Thompson, HCBS Policy Advisor

# Introductions

## Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Members

- Your Name
- Your Background and/or Affiliation
- Why are you interested in participating in the TAG?

# Introductions

## Optumas

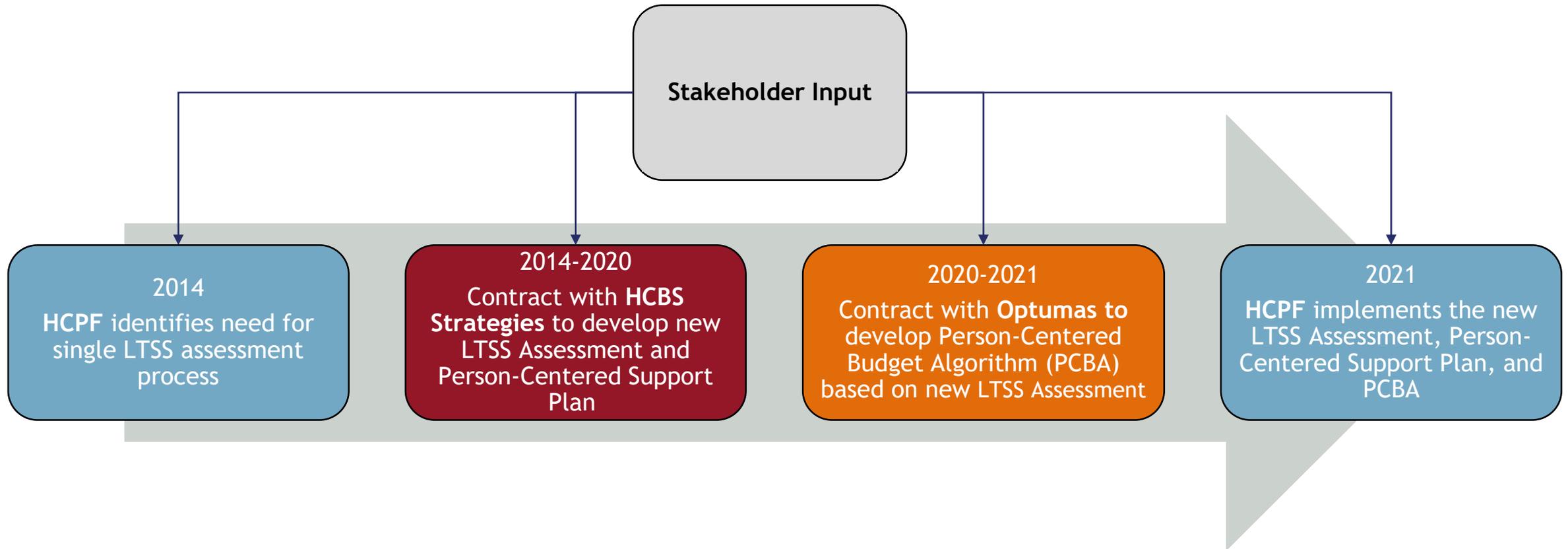
- Project Team
  - Steve Schramm, Founder and Managing Director
  - Meg Frenzen, Sr. Consultant
  - Martin McNamara, Actuarial Consultant
  - Tomas Abrate, Informatics Analyst
  - Additional Supporting Staff

# Why a Person-Centered Budget Algorithm (PCBA)?

- Important aspect of making sure people get the right services, at the right time, in the right place
- Objective method for assigning resources versus relying strictly on case manager's subjective judgement
- Based on new Long-Term Services and Supports Assessment, with much more information
- Department priority to get it right - working closely with stakeholders and staff on teams across the offices

# Background

## How did we get here and where are we going?



# Background

## What is a Person-Centered Budget Algorithm (PCBA)?

- Person-Centered Budget Algorithm (PCBA) for Health First Colorado Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver programs
- Assessment-informed, objective, prospective budget methodology
  - Utilized in over 30 states
- **Not** the sole determinant of resource need, rather a tool in the person-centered planning toolbox

# Stakeholder Engagement

- We are committed to robust and thoughtful stakeholder engagement throughout development and implementation
- All interested stakeholders will have the opportunity to participate in PCBA development

## Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

- Selected applicants
- Technical
- Detail-oriented
- Focused on statistical foundations
- Less review of previous work

## Statewide Forums

- Open to all stakeholders
- Information tailored to a broader audience
- No prior knowledge assumed
- Comprehensive review of previous and current PCBA work

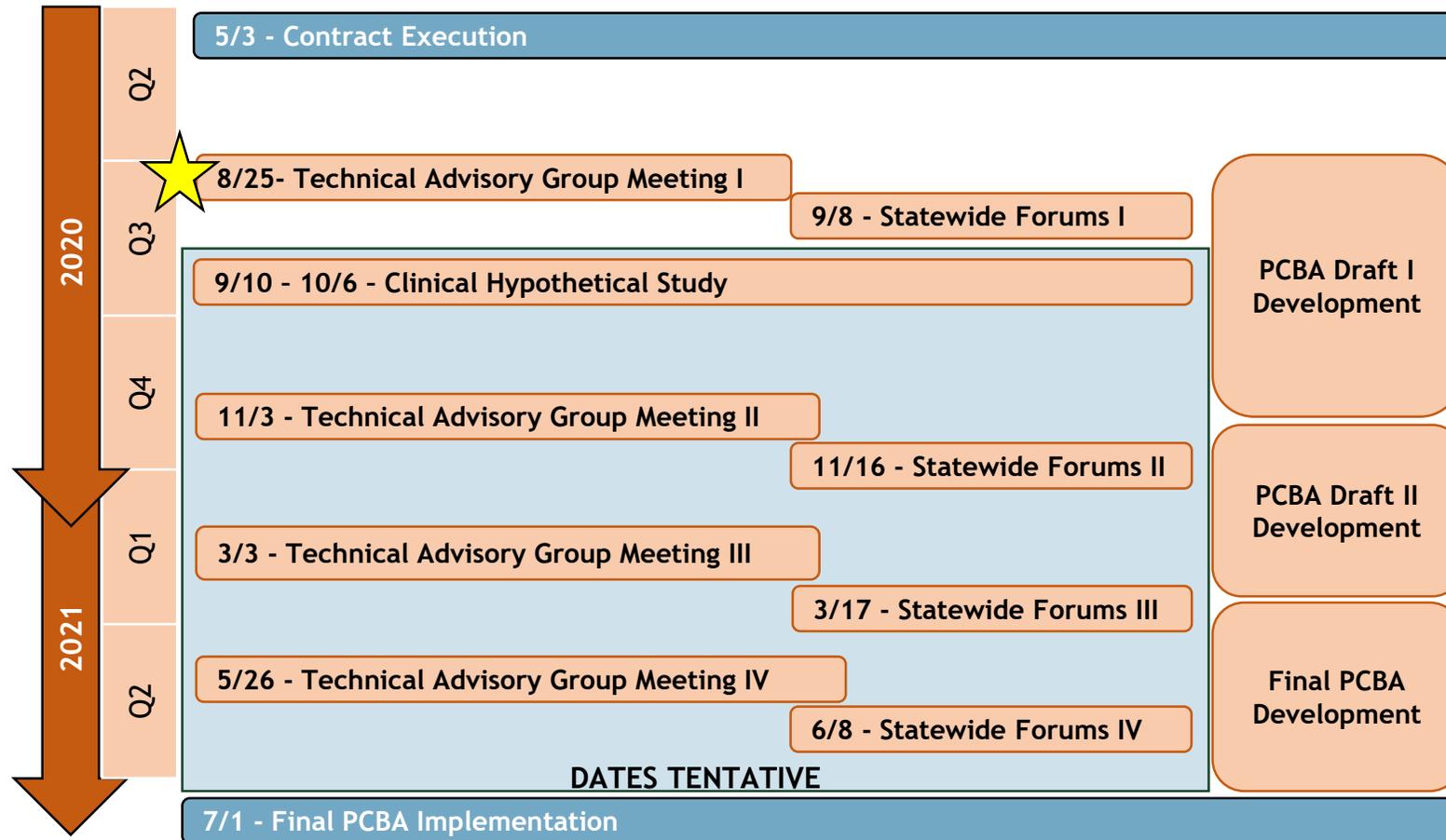
# Clinical Hypothetical Overview

- Study to test how well assumptions in the PCBA align with a member's assessed needs
- Study participants will independently review de-identified assessment data and rank order members based on assessed needs
- Conducted with groups of people who have experience serving members

# Project Overview

- How is a Person-Centered Budget Algorithm developed?
  - Look at relationships between member characteristics and services used
  - Group similar members to identify patterns
  - Algorithm will use those patterns to predict a range of future service needs

# PCBA Development Timeline



# Model Development Process

1. Start-up
2. Data Validation
3. Variable Identification
4. Statistical Modeling
5. Model Output
6. Model Confirmation
7. Model Iterations
8. Stakeholder Engagement Throughout

# Model Development Process

## 1. Start-up

- Conduct broad examination of published literature
- Data inventory
- Complete detailed examination of assessment tools
- Operational considerations
- Incorporate stakeholder input/feedback

# Model Development Process

## 2. Data Validation

- Establish baseline assessment data structure and quality

## 3. Variable Identification

- Utilize staff expertise for variable identification
- Conduct statistical analyses to identify key variables
- Determine variable distributions
- Incorporate stakeholder input/feedback

# Model Development Process

## 4. Statistical Modeling

- Determine model structure
- Incorporate stakeholder input/feedback

## 5. Model Output

- Review variables results for statistical significance
- Determine goodness of fit
- Examine appropriateness of coefficient directional relationships

# Model Development Process

## 6. Model Confirmation

- Evaluate against validation sample
- Compare model output to Clinical Hypothetical results

## 7. Model Iterations

- Repeat as necessary
- Additional data
- Incorporate additional stakeholder input/feedback

# Discussion

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Is there any stage of the Model Development Process you would like to hear more about?

# Discussion

What components unique to Colorado should be considered with respect to:

- Program Design
- Population
- Services
- Delivery Network

# Discussion

## Critical Questions on Resource Needs

- What types of needs, both behavioral and living skills, require staff time to support?
- How do those needs compare in the amount of resources they need for support?
- What are the needs that would require the greatest resources to support?

## Areas to Consider

- Functioning
- Social and communication
- Personal and community living
- Cognition
- Behaviors
- Health

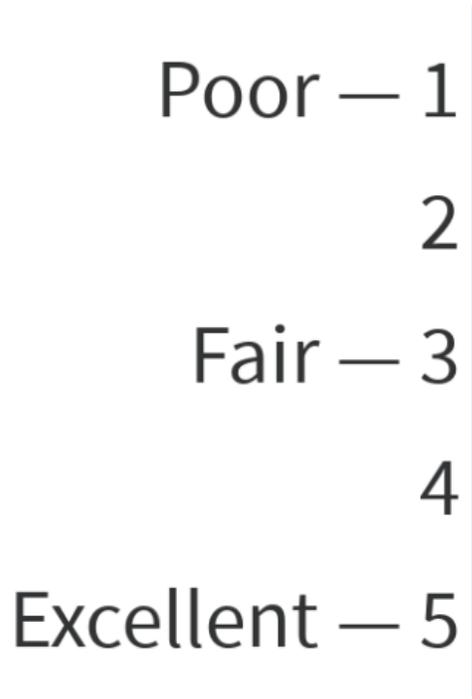
# Discussion

What questions would you like answered over the next year (during development of the PCBA model)?

# Discussion

- What is the most important information you heard today that should be shared with a broader audience?
- What information do you feel was missing that we should be sure to include during the Statewide Forums?

# On a scale from 1-5, how confident do you feel in your understanding of the PCBA development process?



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# Next Steps

- Summarized and de-identified meeting minutes will be distributed
- Utilize feedback to continue model development
- Upcoming Meetings:
  - Statewide Forums - September 10, 2020 (tentative)
  - TAG Meeting II - November 3, 2020 (tentative)
- Visit new web page!  
<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/person-centered-budget-algorithm-pcba>

# Thank you, Lauren!!





# Questions?



# Contact Information

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# Thank you!

# Appendix

# Model Development Workflow

*All TAG members should have received “CO PCBA Workflow.pdf” before the meeting*

- Process Workflow diagram includes Optumas deliverables
- Provides background on approach to model development

# Colorado Person Centered Budget Algorithm (PCBA)

## Work Flow

